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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 23-36 without prejudice.

Please add new claims 120-133 that follow below.

MARKED UP VERSION OF ENTIRE SET OF PENDING CLAIMS

1 1-36. (Cancelled)

1 37. (Previously Presented) A shielded housing formed by  
2 the method comprising:  
3 forming a flat pattern of the shielded housing  
4 from a sheet of conductive material, the flat pattern  
5 including one or more forward fingers extending from an  
6 edge thereof;  
7 folding the flat pattern along fold lines to form  
8 flaps and sides of the shielded housing; and  
9 bending the flat pattern along bend lines to form  
10 the one or more forward fingers of the shielded  
11 housing.

1 38. (Original) A method of assembling an opto-  
2 electronic module comprising:  
3 forming a shielded housing with an open end, the  
4 shielded housing formed out of a sheet of conductive  
5 material to provide electromagnetic radiation shielding  
6 and protection of components, the shielded housing  
7 including one or more fingers to couple the shielded  
8 housing to ground;  
9 assembling optical, electrical and optical-  
10 electrical components into a chassis to form a  
11 subassembly;  
12 inserting the subassembly into the open end of the  
13 shielded housing, the shielded housing around the  
14 subassembly; and

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15 closing the open end of the shielded housing to  
16 hold the subassembly and the shielded housing assembled  
17 together.

1 39. (Original) The method of claim 38 wherein,  
2 the shielding housing is a one-piece shielding  
3 housing to protect components and to shield  
4 electromagnetic radiation.

1 40. (Original) The method of claim 38 wherein,  
2 the open end is a back side and the inserting  
3 includes  
4 inserting a front end of the subassembly into  
5 the open end of the back side of the shielded  
6 housing.

1 41. (Original) The method of claim 40 wherein,  
2 the closing of the open end of the back side  
3 includes  
4 folding a left side wing and a right side  
5 wing into the open end, and  
6 folding a back side flap down over the open  
7 end to couple to the left side wing and the right  
8 side wing.

1 42. (Original) The method of claim 38 wherein,  
2 the open end is a front side and the inserting  
3 includes  
4 inserting a rear end of the subassembly into the  
5 open end of the front side of the shielded housing.

1 43. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 42  
2 wherein,

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3           the closing of the open end of the front side  
4       includes  
5           folding a strap and a septum of the shielded  
6       housing, the strap folded across the open end to  
7       strap the subassembly into the shielded housing,  
8       the septum folded into the open end to couple to  
9       the bottom side of the shielded housing to hold  
10      the subassembly strapped into the shielded  
11      housing.

1   44. (Previously Presented)     The method of claim 38  
2   wherein,  
3       the forming of the shielded housing includes  
4       stamping a pattern of the shielded housing  
5       into the sheet of conductive material, the pattern  
6       including the one or more fingers near an edge of  
7       the flat sheet,  
8       folding the sheet of conductive material  
9       along a plurality of fold lines into a multi-sided  
10      rectangularly shaped container but for the open  
11      end, and  
12      bending the one or more fingers into shape.

1   45. (Previously Presented)     An opto-electronic module  
2   formed by the method comprising:  
3       forming a shielded housing with an open end, the  
4       shielded housing formed out of a sheet of conductive  
5       material to provide electromagnetic radiation shielding  
6       and protection of components, the shielded housing  
7       including one or more forward fingers extending from an  
8       edge to couple the shielded housing to ground;  
9       assembling optical, electrical and optical-  
10      electrical components into a chassis to form a  
11      subassembly;

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12           inserting the subassembly into the open end of the  
13           shielded housing, the shielded housing around the  
14           subassembly; and  
15           closing the open end of the shielded housing to  
16           hold the subassembly and the shielded housing assembled  
17           together.

1   46-63. (Cancelled)

1   64. (Original)       A method to assemble an EMI shielding  
2   module comprising:  
3           forming a plurality of substantially equidistant  
4           spring fingers along an edge of a flat sheet;  
5           forming a strap at the edge of the flat sheet and  
6           a septum on the end of the strap;  
7           forming a pair of bottom flaps in the flat sheet;  
8           folding the flat sheet along axes to form a  
9           container substantially in the shape of rectangular  
10          box, the rectangular box having a first end and a  
11          second end, the first end having the plurality of  
12          fingers along each of a plurality of edges and an  
13          opening for cable connectors, the second end having a  
14          backside flap;  
15          folding the strap across the opening for cable  
16          connectors; and  
17          coupling the septum to inner surfaces of the  
18          bottom flaps to hold the strap across the opening.

1   65. (Original)       The method of claim 64 wherein,  
2           the EMI shielding module is a one-piece shielded  
3           housing to protect components and to shield  
4           electromagnetic radiation.

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1 66. (Original) The method of claim 64 wherein,  
2 the EMI shielding module encloses a module chassis  
3 frame, the module chassis frame being a central  
4 structural support to which one or more optical,  
5 electrical and optical-electrical components used in  
6 transmission and reception of optical signals are  
7 attached.

1 67-76. (Cancelled)

1 77. (Original) A method to assemble an optical  
2 transmitter and/or receiver, the method comprising:  
3 forming a plurality of fingers, a strap, and a  
4 septum along a first edge of a conductive sheet;  
5 placing the conductive sheet on a module chassis  
6 frame, the module chassis frame having a plurality of  
7 components used in transmitting and/or receiving  
8 optical signals;  
9 folding the conductive sheet around the module  
10 chassis frame such that the conductive sheet  
11 substantially encloses the module chassis frame but for  
12 a frontal opening adjacent to the first edge.

1 78. (Original) The method of claim 77 further  
2 comprising:  
3 bending the strap and the septum around a front  
4 end of the module chassis frame to hold the folded  
5 conductive sheet and the module chassis frame together.

1 79. (Original) The method of claim 77 wherein,  
2 the fingers to electrically ground the folded  
3 conductive sheet to a ground of a host system.

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1 80. (Original) The method of claim 77 wherein,  
2 the conductive sheet is one of metal, conductive  
3 plastic, and plated plastic.

1 81. (Original) The method of claim 77 further  
2 comprising:  
3 bending the plurality of fingers outward from the  
4 frontal opening.

1 82. (Original) The method of claim 77 further  
2 comprising:  
3 lifting the plurality of fingers up from an outer  
4 surface of the conductive sheet.

1 83-94. (Cancelled)

1 95. (Previously Presented) The shielded housing of claim  
2 37 wherein,  
3 the shielding housing is a one-piece shielded  
4 housing to protect components and to shield  
5 electromagnetic radiation.

1 96. (Previously Presented) The shielded housing of claim  
2 37 wherein,  
3 prior to the folding and the bending,  
4 placing the flat pattern onto a chassis including  
5 an opto-electronic device to process optical and  
6 electrical signals, and  
7 the folding and the bending of the flat pattern is  
8 around the chassis to assemble the chassis and the  
9 shielded housing together.

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1 97. (Previously Presented) The shielded housing of claim  
2 37 wherein,  
3 the folding and the bending of the flat pattern  
4 substantially forms the shielded housing but for a  
5 front opening, and  
6 the method further includes  
7 performing final folding and final bending of a  
8 strap and a septum to close the front opening.

1 98. (Previously Presented) The shielded housing of claim  
2 37 wherein,  
3 the folding and the bending of the flat pattern  
4 substantially forms the shielded housing but for a rear  
5 opening, and  
6 the method further includes  
7 performing final folding and final bending of a  
8 back side flap to close the rear opening.

1 99. (Previously Presented) The shielded housing of claim  
2 37 wherein,  
3 the flat pattern further includes a pair of tangs,  
4 a pair of tang window openings, a strap, and a septum.

1 100. (Previously Presented) The shielded housing of claim  
2 37 wherein,  
3 the folding and the bending forms the shielded  
4 housing including  
5 a top side,  
6 a first left side flap including a left wing flap,  
7 a first right side flap including a right wing  
8 flap,

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- 9           a second left side flap including a bottom left  
10       side flap,  
11           a second right side flap including a bottom right  
12       side flap, and  
13           a back side flap including a retaining flap.

- 1   101. (Previously Presented)   The shielded housing of claim  
2   100 wherein,  
3           the back side flap includes a pair of tangs,  
4           the left wing flap includes a tang window opening  
5       to mate with one of the pairs of tangs, and  
6           the right wing flap includes a tang window opening  
7       to mate with one of the pairs of tangs.

- 1   102. (Previously Presented)   The shielded housing of claim  
2   101 wherein,  
3           a strap extends from a front edge of the top side  
4       at one end,  
5           and a septum extends at an opposite end of the  
6       strap.

- 1   103. (Previously Presented)   The shielded housing of claim  
2   100 wherein,  
3           the one or more forward fingers extend from a  
4       front edge of the top side, the second left side flap,  
5       the second right side flap, the bottom left side flap,  
6       and the bottom right side flap.

- 1   104. (Previously Presented)   The shielded housing of claim  
2   37 wherein,  
3           the one or more forward fingers to couple to a  
4       host panel to ground the shielded housing and to seal



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5 around an opening in the host panel to avoid  
6 electromagnetic radiation leaking out therefrom.

1 105. (Previously Presented) The shielded housing of claim  
2 37 wherein,  
3 the flat pattern is formed by etching the sheet of  
4 conductive material.

1 106. (Previously Presented) The shielded housing of claim  
2 37 wherein,  
3 the flat pattern is by formed stamping the sheet  
4 of conductive material.

1 107. (Previously Presented) The shielded housing of claim  
2 37 wherein,  
3 the flat pattern is formed by cutting the sheet of  
4 conductive material.

1 108. (Previously Presented) The opto-electronic module of  
2 claim 45 wherein,  
3 the shielding housing is a one-piece shielding  
4 housing to protect components and to shield  
5 electromagnetic radiation.

1 109. (Previously Presented) The opto-electronic module of  
2 claim 45 wherein,  
3 the open end is a back side and the inserting  
4 includes  
5 inserting a front end of the subassembly into  
6 the open end of the back side of the shielded  
7 housing.

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1 110. (Previously Presented) The opto-electronic module of  
2 claim 109 wherein,  
3 the closing of the open end of the back side  
4 includes  
5 folding a left side wing and a right side  
6 wing into the open end, and  
7 folding a back side flap down over the open  
8 end to couple to the left side wing and the right  
9 side wing.

1 111. (Previously Presented) The opto-electronic module of  
2 claim 45 wherein,  
3 the open end is a front side and the inserting  
4 includes  
5 inserting a rear end of the subassembly into the  
6 open end of the front side of the shielded housing.

1 112. (Previously Presented) The opto-electronic module of  
2 claim 111 wherein,  
3 the closing of the open end of the front side  
4 includes  
5 folding a strap and a septum of the shielded  
6 housing, the strap folded across the open end to  
7 strap the subassembly into the shielded housing,  
8 the septum folded into the open end to couple to  
9 the bottom side of the shielded housing to hold  
10 the subassembly strapped into the shielded  
11 housing.

1 113. (Previously Presented) The opto-electronic module of  
2 claim 45 wherein,  
3 the forming of the shielded housing includes

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4                    stamping a pattern of the shielded housing  
5                    into the sheet of conductive material, the pattern  
6                    including the one or more forward fingers  
7                    extending from the edge of the sheet,  
8                    folding the sheet of conductive material  
9                    along a plurality of fold lines into a multi-sided  
10                    rectangularly shaped container but for the open  
11                    end, and  
12                    bending the one or more forward fingers into  
13                    shape.

1    114. (Previously Presented)    An optical transmitter and/or  
2    receiver formed by the method comprising:  
3                    forming a plurality of fingers, a strap, and a  
4                    septum along a first edge of a conductive sheet;  
5                    placing the conductive sheet on a module chassis  
6                    frame, the module chassis frame having a plurality of  
7                    components used in transmitting and/or receiving  
8                    optical signals;  
9                    folding the conductive sheet around the module  
10                    chassis frame such that the conductive sheet  
11                    substantially encloses the module chassis frame but for  
12                    a frontal opening adjacent to the first edge.

1    115. (Previously Presented)    The optical transmitter and/or  
2    receiver of claim 114 formed by the method further  
3    comprising:  
4                    bending the strap and the septum around a front  
5                    end of the module chassis frame to hold the folded  
6                    conductive sheet and the module chassis frame together.

1    116. (Previously Presented)    The optical transmitter and/or  
2    receiver of claim 114 wherein,

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3 the fingers to electrically ground the folded  
4 conductive sheet to a ground of a host system and to  
5 seal an opening in a host panel of the host system to  
6 avoid electromagnetic radiation leaking out through the  
7 opening in the host panel.

1 117. (Previously Presented) The optical transmitter and/or  
2 receiver of claim 114 wherein,  
3 the conductive sheet is one of metal, conductive  
4 plastic, and plated plastic.

1 118. (Previously Presented) The optical transmitter and/or  
2 receiver of claim 114 formed by the method further  
3 comprising:  
4 bending the plurality of fingers outward from the  
5 frontal opening to form a plurality of forward fingers  
6 extending out therefrom.

1 119. (Previously Presented) The optical transmitter and/or  
2 receiver of claim 114 formed by the method further  
3 comprising:  
4 lifting the plurality of fingers up from an outer  
5 surface of the conductive sheet to form a plurality of  
6 backward fingers.

1 120. (New) A method of forming a shielded housing for a  
2 fiber-optic module, the method comprising:  
3 forming a flat pattern of the shielded housing  
4 from a sheet of conductive material, the flat pattern  
5 including one or more fingers;  
6 folding the flat pattern along fold lines to form  
7 flaps and sides of the shielded housing; and

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8           bending the flat pattern along bend lines to form  
9           the one or more fingers of the shielded housing.

1   121. (New)       The method of claim 120, wherein  
2           the shielding housing is a one-piece shielded  
3           housing to protect components and to shield  
4           electromagnetic radiation.

1   122. (New)       The method of claim 120, wherein  
2           prior to the folding and the bending,  
3           placing the flat pattern onto a chassis including  
4           an opto-electronic device to process optical and  
5           electrical signals, and  
6           the folding and the bending of the flat pattern is  
7           around the chassis to assemble the chassis and the  
8           shielded housing together.

1   123. (New)       The method of claim 120, wherein  
2           the folding and the bending of the flat pattern  
3           substantially forms the shielded housing but for a  
4           front opening, and  
5           inserting a rear of a chassis including an opto-  
6           electronic device to process optical and electrical  
7           signals into the front opening in the shielded housing,  
8           and  
9           performing final folding and final bending to the  
10          front opening to assemble the chassis and the shielded  
11          housing together.

1   124. (New)       The method of claim 120, wherein  
2           the folding and the bending of the flat pattern  
3           substantially forms the shielded housing but for a rear  
4           opening, and

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5           inserting a front of a chassis including an opto-  
6           electronic device to process optical and electrical  
7           signals into the rear opening in the shielded housing,  
8           and  
9           performing final folding and final bending to the  
10          rear opening to assemble the chassis and the shielded  
11          housing together.

1   125. (New)       The method of claim 120, wherein  
2                    the flat pattern further includes a pair of tangs,  
3                    a pair of tang window openings, a strap, and a septum.

1   126. (New)       The method of claim 120, wherein  
2                    the folding and the bending forms the shielded  
3                    housing including  
4                    a top side,  
5                    a first left side flap including a left wing flap,  
6                    a first right side flap including a right wing  
7                    flap,  
8                    a second left side flap including a bottom left  
9                    side flap,  
10                   a second right side flap including a bottom right  
11                   side flap, and  
12                   a back side flap including a retaining flap.

1   127. (New)       The method of claim 126, wherein  
2                    the back side flap includes a pair of tangs,  
3                    the left wing flap includes a tang window opening  
4                    to mate with one of the pairs of tangs, and  
5                    the right wing flap includes a tang window opening  
6                    to mate with one of the pairs of tangs.

1   128. (New)       The method of claim 127, wherein

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2           a strap extends from a front edge of the top side  
3           at one end,  
4           and a septum extends at an opposite end of the  
5           strap.

1   129. (New)       The method of claim 126, wherein  
2           the one or more fingers extend from a front edge  
3           of the top side, the second left side flap, the second  
4           right side flap, the bottom left side flap, and the  
5           bottom right side flap.

1   130. (New)       The method of claim 126, wherein  
2           the one or more fingers extend backward near a  
3           front edge from a surface of the top side, the second  
4           left side flap, the second right side flap, the bottom  
5           left side flap, and the bottom right side flap.

1   131. (New)       The method of claim 126, wherein  
2           the forming of the flat pattern is by etching the  
3           sheet of conductive material.

1   132. (New)       The method of claim 126, wherein  
2           the forming of the flat pattern is by stamping the  
3           sheet of conductive material.

1   133. (New)       The method of claim 126, wherein  
2           the forming of the flat pattern is by cutting the  
3           sheet of conductive material.